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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT - GOJ DRAFT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE

1. DIRECTOR GENERAL AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU YAMAZAKI PROVIDED COPY OF GOJ DRAFT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE TO DCM ON OCT 29. YAMAZAKI STATED THAT JAPANESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO TABLE THIS DRAFT WITH DEPARTMENT FOR DISUCSSION, BUT HE WISHED DCM TO HAVE A COPY AND SOLICITED HIS PERSONAL REACTIONS. AFTER READING DRAFT, DCM REMARKED THAT IT SEEMED TO BE IN LINE WITH THINKING OF BOTH GOVTS AS TO TONE WE WISH TO SET FOR PRESIDENT'S VISIT. ALTHOUGH DCM DID NOT COMMENT IN DETAIL ON SUBSTANCE HE DID SUGGEST POSSIBILITY WE MIGHT WISH TO GIVE GREATER EMPHASIS TO DEVELOPING MECHANISMS AND HABITS OF CONSULTATION BETWEEN TWO GOVTS. HE ALSO NOTED THAT ONLY PASSING REFERENCE MADE TO SECURITY TREATY RELATIONSHIP AND ASKED WHETHER THIS FACT MIGHT DRAW ATTENTION IN JAPAN. YAMAZAKI REPLIED THAT THAT WAS A POSSIBILITY BUT THAT VICE MINISTER TOGO FELT THAT TREATMENT GIVEN IN DRAFT WAS AT RIGHT LEVEL.

2. YAMAZAKI THEN OFFERED FOLLOWING EXPLANATORY COMMENTS ON GOJ DRAFT.: (A) FOREIGN MINISTER KUMURA FEELS VERY STRONGLY THAT THE COMMUNIQUE SHOULD CONTAIN NO RPT NO RE-CONFIDENTIAL

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REFERENCE TO AN INVITATION TO THE EMPEROR TO VISIT U.S.

FOREIGN MINISTER IS CONCERNED THAT SUCH REFERENCE IN COMMUNIQUE MIGHT REVIVE POLITICAL CONTROVERSY OVER THIS ISSUE. (YAMAZAKI ADDED THAT CONSTITUTIONALLY EMPEROR IS NOT HEAD OF STATE AND THUS NOT "SUBJECT" FOR RECIPROCAL VISITS). YAMAZAKI EXPLAINED THAT OF COURSE THERE WOULD BE NO OBJECTION IF PRESIDENT FORD PERSONALLY RENEWS INVITATION DURING HIS MEETING WITH EMPEROR OR TO MENTIONING THAT FACT IN PRESS BRIEFING FOLLOWING MEETING. (B) II/1. GOJ WISHES TO UNDERLINE MORE CLEARLY THAN IN PAST US/JAPAN JOINT COMMUNIQUE THE BASIC SIMILARITY BETWEEN THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. YAMAZAKI POINTED OUT THAT A SIMILAR THOUGHT WAS CONTAINED IN THE NATO DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND IN THE JAPANESE DRAFT STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AMONG INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES GIVEN TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN SEPTEMBER 1973. (C) II/2. THIS PARAGRAPH IS INTENDED TO SET OUT "GUIDING PRINCIPLES" FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES IN AN INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY. YAMAZAKI NOTED THAT BY MAKING "COOPERATIVE RELATIONS" THE SUBJECT OF SECOND SENTENCE, IT IS INTENDED TO PLACE THE MUTUAL SECURITY TREATY IN THE TOTAL CONTEXT OF US/JAPAN RELATIONS WHILE AT THE SAME TIME EMPHASIZING ITS ROLE IN MAINTAINING PEACE AND STABILITY IN ASIA AND THE FACT THAT THE TREATY RELATIONSHIP HAS ENDURED DESPITE MANY CHANGES, SUCH AS THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH PRC, IMPROVEMENT IN JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION, AND THE DEVELOPING ATMOSPHERE OF DETENTE. THE FINAL CLAUSE OF THE LAST SENTENCE IN THIS PARAGRAPH RELATES TO AN IMPORTANT CONDITION FOR JAPAN'S RATIFICATION OF NPT. YAMAZAKI EXPLAINED THAT ALTHOUGH GOJ IS NOT IN A POSITION TO COMMIT ITSELF IN THE COMMUNIQUE TO PROMPT RATIFICATION OF NPT, REAFFIRMATION OF THIS CONDITION SHOULD BE OF ASSISTANCE IN ACHIEVING THAT GOAL. (D) II/3. YAMAZAKI POINTED OUT THAT THIS PARAGRAPH ALSO PARALLELS THE JAPANESE SEPTEMBER 1973 DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AMONG INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES. HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE PHRASE "DIFFERENT INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS" IS THE ONLY PLACE IN THE JAPANESE DRAFT WHERE REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE "SOCIALIST COUNTRIES" AND THAT THE GOJ PREFERS THIS WORDING RATHER THAN "FORMER ADVERSARY" WHICH SOUNDS TOO HARSH IN JAPANESE. (E) II/4. IS INTENDED TO HIGHLIGHT THE MULTILATERAL DIMENSIONS OF

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US/JAPAN RELATIONS AS WELL AS THE "INTERDEPENDENT RELATIONSHIP" BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE U.S. YAMAZAKI POINTED OUT THAT THE LAST SENTENCE CARRIES THE IMPLICATION THAT BOTH COUNTRIES WILL RESIST PROTECTIONIST TENDENCIES AND DO THEIR BEST TO INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE FORTHCOMING MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS. (F) II/5. FIRST SENTENCE ADDS CONCEPT OF "RESOURCE-RICH AND RESOURCE-POOR COUNTRIES" TO MORE STANDARD CONCEPT OF GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOP-

ING COUNTRIES. SECOND SENTENCE OF THIS PARAGRAPH REFERS TO JAPAN'S CONTINUING "COMMITMENT TO ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION". YAMAZAKI STATED THAT GOJ WOULD PREFERE TO AVOID REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC REGIONS OR COMMITMENT TO INCREASE AMOUNTS OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. SIMILARLY, WITH RESPECT TO FINAL PORTION OF SECOND SENTENCE, YAMAZAKI STATED THAT REFERENCE TO "INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION" TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND FOOD WOULD, OF COURSE, ENCOMPASS JAPAN'S PARTICIPATION IN WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE AND IMILAR INTERNATIONAL FORA.

(G) II/6. YAMAZAKI STATED THAT THIS PARAGRAPH "LOOKS TO THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY." (H) II/7. FIRST SENTENCE IS INTENDED TO GIVE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO "BREADTH AND DEPTH" OF US/JAPAN RELATIONSHIP. REFERENCE IN LAST SENTENCE TO "FIRST VISIT TO JAPAN" BY PRESIDENT OF U.S., YAMAZAKI EXPLAINED, IS REALLY THE THEME FOR THIS US/JAPAN SUMMIT MEETING.

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